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DOCUMENT NUMBER: 21668226 PubMed ID: 11809724

TITLE: Spastin, the protein mutated in autosomal dominant hereditary spastic paraplegia, is involved in microtubule dynamics.

AUTHOR: Errico Alessia; Ballabio Andrea; Rugarli Elena I

CORPORATE SOURCE: Telethon Institute of Genetics and Medicine (TIGEM), II University of Naples, Naples, Italy.

CONTRACT NUMBER: 1R01NS38713-01 (NINDS)

SOURCE: HUMAN MOLECULAR GENETICS, (2002 Jan 15) 11 (2) 153-63.  
Journal code: 9208958. ISSN: 0964-6906.

PUB. COUNTRY: England: United Kingdom  
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AB Hereditary spastic paraplegia (HSP) is characterized by progressive weakness and spasticity of the lower limbs, caused by the specific degeneration of the corticospinal tracts, the longest axons in

\*\*\*humans\*\*\*. Most cases of the autosomal dominant form of the disease are due to mutations in the SPG4 \*\*\*gene\*\*\*, which encodes

\*\*\*spastin\*\*\*, an ATPase belonging to the AAA family. The cellular pathways in which \*\*\*spastin\*\*\* operates and its role in causing degeneration of motor axons are currently unknown. By expressing wild-type or ATPase-defective \*\*\*spastin\*\*\* in several cell types, we now show that \*\*\*spastin\*\*\* interacts dynamically with microtubules.

\*\*\*Spastin\*\*\* association with the microtubule cytoskeleton is mediated

by the N-terminal region of the protein, and is regulated through the ATPase activity of the AAA domain. Expression of all the missense mutations into the AAA domain, which were previously identified in patients, leads to constitutive binding to microtubules in transfected cells and induces the disappearance of the aster and the formation of thick perinuclear bundles, suggesting a role of \*\*\*spastin\*\*\* in microtubule dynamics. Consistently, wild-type \*\*\*spastin\*\*\* promotes microtubule disassembly in transfected cells. These data suggest that \*\*\*spastin\*\*\* may be involved in microtubule dynamics similarly to the highly homologous microtubule-severing protein, katanin. Impairment of fine regulation of the microtubule cytoskeleton in long axons, due to \*\*\*spastin\*\*\* mutations, may underlie pathogenesis of HSP.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:333420 BIOSIS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200100333420  
 TITLE: Novel mutation of the Spastin gene in familial spastic paraplegia.  
 AUTHOR(S): de Bantel, Astrid; McWilliams, Shona; Auysh, Davgadorj; Echol, Charles; Sambuughin, Nyamkhishig; Sivakumar, Kumaraswamy (1)  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Department of Neurology, Barrow Neurological Institute, St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center, 500 W. Thomas Rd., Suite No. 300, Phoenix, AZ, 85013: ksivakum@bng.chw.edu USA  
 SOURCE: Clinical Genetics, (May, 2001) Vol. 59, No. 5, pp. 364-365. print. ISSN: 0009-9163.  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Letter  
 LANGUAGE: English  
 SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

L5 ANSWER 3 OF 30 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:300914 CAPLUS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 134:324718  
 TITLE: Identification of the spastin gene associated with autosomal recessive spastic ataxia of Charlevoix-Saguenay (ARSACS) and diagnostic detection of mutations  
 INVENTOR(S): Hudson, Thomas J.; Engert, James; Richter, Andrea  
 PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): McGill University, Can.; Hopital Sainte-Justine  
 SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 76 pp. CODEN: PIXXD2  
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AB Isolated spastin genes and fragments thereof, as well as Spastin proteins and fragments thereof are disclosed. Also disclosed are altered forms of spastin, as well as methods for the diagnosis and treatment of neurodegenerative disease.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:185911 CAPLUS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 134:232711  
 TITLE: Mammalian spastin gene SPG4 and cDNA and methods for detecting mutations associated with autosomal spastic paraplegia

INVENTOR(S): Weissenba Jean; Hazan, Jamile  
 PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Centre National De La Recherche Scientifique (Cnrs),  
 Fr.  
 SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 119 pp.  
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AB The invention concerns the identification and characterization of the ***human*** SPG4 ***gene*** coding for ***spastin***, and some mutations thereof responsible for the most frequent form of autosomal dominant familial spastic paraplegia, the cloning and the characterization of ***human*** and mouse ***spastin*** cDNA and the corresponding proteins. The invention also concerns vectors, transformed cells and transgenic animals as well as diagnostic methods and kits. Thus, the ***human*** ***spastin*** ***gene*** SPG4 was cloned and mutations assocd. with autosomal dominant familial spastic paraplegia were identified. Primers and probes for detection of these mutations are provided. The cDNA encoding murine ***spastin*** was also cloned and sequenced.				
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 TITLE: An atypical intronic deletion widens the spectrum of  
 mutations in hereditary spastic paraplegia.  
 AUTHOR(S): Higgins, J. J. (1); Loveless, J. M.; Goswami, S.; Nee, L.  
 E.; Cozzo, C.; De Biase, A.; Rosen, D. R.  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Center for Human Genetic Studies, Mid-Hudson Family  
 Health Institute/Westchester Medical Center, 279 Main  
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 SOURCE: Neurology, (June 12, 2001) Vol. 56, No. 11, pp. 1482-1485.  
 print.  
 ISSN: 0028-3878.  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Article  
 LANGUAGE: English  
 SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English  
 AB Objective: To identify the genetic mutation responsible for autosomal  
 dominant spastic paraplegia (HSP) in a large family with a "pure" form of  
 the disorder. Background: The disease locus in most families with HSP is  
 genetically linked to the SPG4 locus on chromosome 2p21-p22. Some of these  
 families have mutations in the splice-site or coding regions of the  
 spastin gene (SPAST). Methods: Linkage and mutational analyses were used  
 to identify the location and the nature of the genetic defect causing the  
 disorder in a large family. After the disease phenotype was linked to the  
 SPG4 locus, all 17 coding regions and flanking intronic sequences of SPAST  
 were analyzed by single-strand conformation polymorphism analysis (SSCP)  
 and compared between affected and normal individuals. Direct sequencing  
 and subcloning methods were used to investigate incongruous mobility  
 shifts. Results: The genomic sequence of SPAST showed a heterozygous  
 four-base pair deletion (delTAAT) near the 3' splice-site of exon three in  
 all 11 affected individuals but not in 21 normal family members or in 50  
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TITLE: . A second leaky splice-site mutation in the spastin gene.  
 AUTHOR(S): Svenson, Ingrid K. (1); Ashley-Koch, Allison E. (1); Pericak-Vance, Margaret A.; Marchuk, Douglas A. (1)  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Department of Genetics, Duke University Medical Center, Durham, NC USA  
 SOURCE: American Journal of Human Genetics, (December, 2001) Vol. 69, No. 6, pp. 1407-1409. <http://www.journals.uchicago.edu/AJHG/home.html>. print.  
 ISSN: 0002-9297.  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Article; Letter  
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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:499475 CAPLUS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 136:116675  
 TITLE: Identification and expression analysis of spastin gene mutations in hereditary spastic paraplegia  
 AUTHOR(S): Svenson, Ingrid K.; Ashley-Koch, Allison E.; Gaskell, P. Craig; Riney, Travis J.; Cumming, W. J. Ken; Kingston, Helen M.; Hogan, Edward L.; Boustany, Rose-Mary N.; Vance, Jeffery M.; Nance, Martha A.; Pericak-Vance, Margaret A.; Marchuk, Douglas A.  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Duke University Medical Center, Durham, NC, 27710, USA  
 SOURCE: American Journal of Human Genetics (2001), 68(5), 1077-1085  
 CODEN: AJHGAG; ISSN: 0002-9297  
 PUBLISHER: University of Chicago Press  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal  
 LANGUAGE: English

AB Pure hereditary spastic paraplegia (SPG) type 4 is the most common form of autosomal dominant hereditary SPG, a neurodegenerative disease characterized primarily by hyperreflexia and progressive spasticity of the lower limbs. It is caused by mutations in the gene encoding spastin, a member of the AAA family of ATPases. We have screened the spastin gene for mutations in 15 families consistent with linkage to the spastin gene locus, SPG4, and have identified 11 mutations, 10 of which are novel. 5 Of the mutations identified are in noninvariant splice-junction sequences. Reverse transcription-PCR anal. of mRNA from patients shows that each of these 5 mutations results in aberrant splicing. 1 Mutation was found to be "leaky," or partially penetrant; i.e., the mutant allele produced both mutant (skipped exon) and wild-type (full-length) transcripts. This phenomenon was reproduced in in vitro splicing expts., with a minigene splicing-vector construct only in the context of the endogenous splice junctions flanking the splice junctions of the skipped exon. In the absence of endogenous splice junctions, only mutant transcript was detected. The existence of at least 1 leaky mutation suggests that relatively small differences in the level of wild-type spastin expression can have significant functional consequences. This may account, at least in part, for the wide ranges in age at onset, symptom severity, and rate of symptom progression that were reported to occur both among and within families with SPG linked to SPG4. In addn., these results suggest caution in the interpretation of data solely obtained with minigene constructs to study the effects of sequence variation on splicing. The lack of full genomic sequence context in these constructs can mask important functional consequences of the mutation.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:79748 BIOSIS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200200079748  
 TITLE: A large family with hereditary spastic paraparesis due to a frame shift mutation of the spastin (SPG4) gene: Association with multiple sclerosis in two affected siblings and epilepsy in other affected family members.  
 AUTHOR(S): Mead, S. H.; Proukakakis, C.; Wood, N.; Crosby, A. H.; Plant, G. T. (1); Warner, T. T.  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) University Department of Clinical Neurosciences, Royal Free and University College Medical School, Rowland Hill Street, Royal Free Campus, London, NW3 2PF: [gordon@plant.globalnet.co.uk](mailto:gordon@plant.globalnet.co.uk) UK  
 SOURCE: Journal of Neurology Neurosurgery & Psychiatry, (December,

DOCUMENT TYPE: Article  
LANGUAGE: English

AB Hereditary spastic paraparesis (HSP) is a clinically and genetically heterogeneous neurodegenerative disorder characterised by progressive lower limb spasticity and weakness. Some forms have been associated with white matter lesions and complex phenotypes. This study was prompted by the diagnosis of multiple sclerosis (MS) in two sisters from a large pedigree with hereditary spastic paraparesis. Twelve affected members of the extended family were examined (MRI and EEG were carried out and evoked potentials measured in five), and historical information was obtained from six affected deceased persons. The inherited disease phenotype was confirmed as autosomal dominant hereditary spastic paraparesis associated with epilepsy in four affected persons. None of the extended family had evidence of MS. Genetic analysis of the family has shown linkage to chromosome 2p and sequencing of the spastin gene has identified a 1406delT frameshift mutation in exon 10. This kindred demonstrates the clinical heterogeneity of HSP associated with spastin mutations. The possible relevance of the concurrence of HSP and MS in the sib pair is discussed.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:70255 BIOSIS  
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TITLE: Characterization of the mouse orthologue of the  
\*\*\*human\*\*\* \*\*\*spastin\*\*\* \*\*\*gene\*\*\* to generate  
genetically engineered mouse models for autosomal dominant  
hereditary spastic paraplegia type 4 (SPG4.  
AUTHOR(S): Schickel, J. (1); Boensch, D. (1); Klimpe, S.; Sudbrak, R.;  
Homanics, G. E.; Deufel, T. (1)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Institut fuer Klinische Chemie und  
Laboratoriumsdiagnostik, FSU Jena, Jena Germany  
SOURCE: American Journal of Human Genetics, (October, 2001) Vol.  
69, No. 4 Supplement, pp. 635.  
<http://www.journals.uchicago.edu/AJHG/home.html>. print.  
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TITLE: Two spastin isoforms are developmentally regulated in fetal  
and adult human brain.  
AUTHOR(S): Pegoraro, E. (1); Molon, A. M. (1); Fassina, A.; Magalhaes,  
P.; Angelini, C. (1)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Neurological/Psychiatric Sci, Univ Padova, Padova Italy  
SOURCE: American Journal of Human Genetics, (October, 2001) Vol.  
69, No. 4 Supplement, pp. 601. print.  
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TITLE: SPG4 (spastin) mutation screening in hereditary spastic paraparesis.  
AUTHOR(S): Proukakakis, C. (1); Comiskey, C. (1); Reid, E.; Wilkinson, P.; Rubinsztein, D.; Patton, M. A. (1); Warner, T. T.; Crosby, A. H. (1)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Department of Medical Genetics, St George's Hospital Medical School, London, SW17 0RE UK  
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:566001 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200100566001  
TITLE: Frequency of Spastin mutations in German pedigrees with hereditary spastic paraplegia.  
AUTHOR(S): Klimpe, S. (1); Visbeck, A. (1); Boensch, D.; Hopf, H. C. (1); Deufel, T.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Dept. of Neurology, Mainz Germany  
SOURCE: American Journal of Human Genetics, (October, 2001) Vol. 69, No. 4 Supplement, pp. 599. print.  
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:553370 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200100553370  
TITLE: Identification of novel AAA genes as candidate genes for neurologic disorders.  
AUTHOR(S): Hedera, P. (1); Zhao, X. (1); Fink, J. K. (1)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Department of Neurology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI USA  
SOURCE: American Journal of Human Genetics, (October, 2001) Vol. 69, No. 4 Supplement, pp. 453. print.  
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:539518 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200100539518  
TITLE: Different mutations in the spastin gene result in distinct electrophysiological phenotypes in patients with hereditary spastic paraplegia type 4 (SPG4).  
AUTHOR(S): Boensch, D. (1); Schwindt, A. (1); Navratil, P. (1); Palm, D.; Klimpe, S. (1); Hazan, J.; Weiller, C.; Deufel, T. (1); Liepert, J.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Institut fuer Klinische Chemie, Friedrich-Schiller Universitaet, Jena Germany  
SOURCE: American Journal of Human Genetics, (October, 2001) Vol. 69, No. 4 Supplement, pp. 350. print.  
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DOCUMENT NUMBER: 135:342577  
TITLE: A large Japanese SPG4 family with a novel insertion mutation of the SPG4 gene: a clinical and genetic study  
AUTHOR(S): Namekawa, M.; Takiyama, Y.; Sakoe, K.; Shimazaki, H.; Amaike, M.; Niijima, K.; Nakano, I.; Nishizawa, M.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Neurology, Jichi Medical School, Tochigi, 329-0498, Japan  
SOURCE: Journal of the Neurological Sciences (2001), 185(1), 63-68  
CODEN: JNSCAG; ISSN: 0022-510X  
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AB We studied a large Japanese family with autosomal dominant pure hereditary spastic paraplegia (ADPHSP) clin. and genetically. To date, seven loci causing ADPHSP have been mapped to chromosomes 14q, 2p, 15q, 8q, 12q, 2q, and 19q. Among these loci, the SPG4 locus on chromosome 2p21-p22 has been shown to account for approx. 40% of all autosomal dominant hereditary spastic paraplegia (ADHSP) families. Very recently the SPG4 gene encoding a new member of the AAA (ATPases assocd. with diverse cellular activities) protein family, named spastin was identified. We found a novel insertion mutation (nt1272-1273insA) in exon 8 of the SPG4 gene in the present family. Our study is the first to confirm the causative mutation of the SPG4 gene in Japanese. Clin., it is noteworthy that the disease progression in the patients of this family was slow in spite of the late onset, and more than half of the patients showed severe constipation in addn. to pure spastic paraplegia.

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DOCUMENT NUMBER: 135:4033  
TITLE: Phenotype of AD-HSP due to mutations in the SPAST gene: Comparison with AD-HSP without mutations  
AUTHOR(S): McMonagle, P.; Byrne, P. C.; Fitzgerald, B.; Webb, S.; Parfrey, N. A.; Hutchinson, M.  
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LANGUAGE: English

AB "Pure" autosomal dominant hereditary spastic paraparesis (AD-HSP) is clin. and genetically heterogeneous. There are at least seven genetic loci with varying ages at onset and disability. The SPAST gene at the SPG4 locus on chromosome 2p is the major disease gene for AD-HSP. The aim was to investigate whether there are distinct clin. features among families with AD-HSP due to SPAST mutations compared with families excluded from SPG4. Nineteen families with "pure" AD-HSP were identified, and the clin. features of family members were compared using a std. protocol. With use of genetic studies, the families were divided into two groups for comparison: those with mutations in SPAST, the "mutation-pos." group, and those excluded from SPG4 on the basis of linkage studies, the "SPG4-excluded" group. Twenty-nine individuals from four families had mutations in SPAST, whereas 22 individuals from three families comprised the SPG4-excluded group; in 11 families, the pattern of linkage was unknown. In the one remaining family, no mutations were found despite strong linkage to SPG4. Different mutations were identified in the four SPAST pedigrees, but the clin. picture was similar in each. Comparison of the mutation-pos. group with the SPG4-excluded group revealed an older age at onset, more disability, more rapidly progressive paraparesis, and more cognitive impairment among affected individuals with SPAST mutations, not confounded by disease duration. Despite different mutations, SPAST families have a similar phenotype that can be distinguished from other genetic groups.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:869368 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 134:278966  
TITLE: Novel mutations in spastin gene and absence of correlation with age at onset of symptoms  
AUTHOR(S): Hentati, A.; Deng, H. -X.; Zhai, H.; Chen, W.; Yang, Y.; Hung, W. -Y.; Azim, A. C.; Bohlega, S.; Tandan, R.; Warner, C.; Laing, N. G.; Cambi, F.; Mitsumoto, H.; Roos, R. P.; Boustany, R. -M.; Hamida, M. Ben; Hentati, F.; Siddique, T.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Neurology, Northwestern University Medical School, Chicago, IL, 60611, USA  
SOURCE: Neurology (2000), 55(9), 1388-1390  
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DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal  
LANGUAGE: English

AB Autosomal dominant hereditary spastic paraplegia is genetically heterogeneous, with at least five loci identified by linkage anal. Recently, mutations in spastin were identified in SPG4, the most common locus for dominant hereditary spastic paraplegia that was previously mapped to chromosome 2p22. The authors identified five novel mutations in the spastin gene in five families with SPG4 mutations from North America and Tunisia and showed the absence of correlation between the predicted mutant spastin protein and age at onset of symptoms.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:806467 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 134:235568  
TITLE: Hereditary spastic paraplegia caused by mutations in

the SPG4 gene  
AUTHOR(S): Burger, Joachim; Fonknechten, Nuria; Hoeltzenbein, Maria; Neumann, Luitgart; Bratanoff, Elfriede; Hazan, Jamile; Reis, Andre  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Institute of Human Genetics, Humboldt-Universitat, Berlin, 13353, Germany  
SOURCE: European Journal of Human Genetics (2000), 8(10), 771-776  
CODEN: EJHGEU; ISSN: 1018-4813  
PUBLISHER: Nature Publishing Group  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal  
LANGUAGE: English

AB Autosomal dominant hereditary spastic paraplegia (AD-HSP) is a genetically heterogeneous neurodegenerative disorder characterized by progressive spasticity of the lower limbs. The SPG4 locus at 2p21-p22 accounts for 40-50% of all AD-HSP families. The SPG4 gene was recently identified. It is ubiquitously expressed in adult and fetal tissues and encodes spastin, an ATPase of the AAA family. We have now identified four novel SPG4 mutations in German AD-HSP families, including one large family for which anticipation had been proposed. Mutations include one frame-shift and one missense mutation, both affecting the Walker motif B. Two further mutations affect two donor splice sites in introns 12 and 16, resp. RT-PCR anal. of both donor splice site mutations revealed exon skipping and reduced stability of aberrantly spliced SPG4 mRNA. All mutations are predicted to cause loss of functional protein. In conclusion, we confirm in German families that SPG4 mutations cause AD-HSP. Our data suggest that SPG4 mutations exert their dominant effect not by gain of function but by haploinsufficiency. If a threshold level of spastin were crit. for axonal preservation, such threshold dosage effects might explain the variable expressivity and incomplete penetrance of SPG4-linked AD-HSP.  
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:787108 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 134:235556  
TITLE: Mutation analysis of the spastin gene (SPG4) in patients with hereditary spastic paraparesis  
AUTHOR(S): Lindsey, J. C.; Lusher, M. E.; McDermott, C. J.; White, K. D.; Reid, E.; Rubinsztein, D. C.; Bashir, R.; Hazan, J.; Shaw, P. J.; Bushby, K. M. D.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Human Molecular Genetics Unit, School of Biochemistry and Genetics, University of Newcastle upon Tyne, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE2 4AA, UK  
SOURCE: Journal of Medical Genetics (2000), 37(10), 759-765  
CODEN: JMDGAE; ISSN: 0022-2593  
PUBLISHER: BMJ Publishing Group  
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LANGUAGE: English

AB Background: hereditary spastic paraparesis is a genetically heterogeneous condition. Recently, mutations in the spastin gene were reported in families linked to the common SPG4 locus on chromosome 2p21-22. Objectives: To study a population of patients with hereditary spastic paraparesis for mutations in the spastin gene (SPG4) on chromosome 2p21-22. Methods: DNA from 32 patients (12 from families known to be linked to SPG4) was analyzed for mutations in the spastin gene by single strand conformational polymorphism anal. and sequencing. All patients were also examd. clin. Results: Thirteen SPG4 mutations were identified, 11 of which are novel. These mutations include missense, nonsense, frameshift, and splice site mutations, the majority of which affect the AAA cassette. The authors also describe a nucleotide substitution outside this conserved region which appears to behave as a recessive mutation. Conclusions: Recurrent mutations in the spastin gene are uncommon. This reduces the ease of mutation detection as a part of the diagnostic work up of patients with hereditary spastic paraparesis. The authors' findings have important implications for the presumed function of spastin and schemes for mutation detection in HSP patients.  
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:704318 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 134:16128  
 TITLE: Intrafamilial variability in hereditary spastic paraplegia associated with an SPG4 gene mutation  
 AUTHOR(S): Santorelli, F. M.; Patrono, C.; Fortini, D.; Tessa, A.; Comanducci, G.; Bertini, E.; Pierallini, A.; Amabile, G. A.; Casali, C.  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Molecular Medicine IRCCS-Bambino Gesù, "La Sapienza" University, Rome, 00165, Italy  
 SOURCE: Neurology (2000), 55(5), 702-705  
 CODEN: NEURAI; ISSN: 0028-3878  
 PUBLISHER: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal  
 LANGUAGE: English  
 AB The authors studied a family with pure autosomal dominant spastic paraplegia (ADHSP) that showed a marked intrafamilial variability in both age at onset and clin. severity, ranging from severe congenital presentation to mild involvement after age 55. They found a novel mutation in the SPG4 gene, which segregates with the disease in six patients. The mutation affects the consensus donor splice site of SPG4 intron 16, resulting in a premature termination codon at amino acid 578. The data confirm the pathol. significance of SPG4 mutations in pure ADHSP and add to the list of known SPG4 allelic variants.  
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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:185483 CAPLUS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 133:100324  
 TITLE: Spectrum of SPG4 mutations in autosomal dominant spastic paraplegia  
 AUTHOR(S): Fonknechten, Nuria; Mavel, Delphine; Byrne, Paula; Davoine, Claire-Sophie; Cruaud, Corinne; Boentsch, Dominikus; Samson, Delphine; Coutinho, Paula; Hutchinson, Michael; McMonagle, Paul; Burgunder, Jean-Marc; Tartaglione, Antonio; Heinzlef, Olivier; Feki, Imed; Deufel, Thomas; Parfrey, Nollaig; Brice, Alexis; Fontaine, Bertrand; Prud'homme, Jean-Francois; Weissenbach, Jean; Durr, Alexandra; Hazan, Jamile  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Genoscope, Evry, 91000, Fr.  
 SOURCE: Human Molecular Genetics (2000), 9(4), 637-644  
 CODEN: HMGEE5; ISSN: 0964-6906  
 PUBLISHER: Oxford University Press  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal  
 LANGUAGE: English  
 AB Autosomal dominant hereditary spastic paraplegia (AD-HSP) is a group of genetically heterogeneous neurodegenerative disorders characterized by progressive spasticity of the lower limbs. Five AD-HSP loci have been mapped to chromosomes 14q, 2p, 15q, 8q and 12q. The SPG4 locus at 2p21-p22 has been shown to account for .apprx.40% of all AD-HSP families. SPG4 encoding spastin, a putative nuclear AAA protein, has recently been identified. Here, sequence anal. of the 17 exons of SPG4 in 87 unrelated AD-HSP patients has resulted in the detection of 34 novel mutations. These SPG4 mutations are scattered along the coding region of the gene and include all types of DNA modification including missense (28%), nonsense (15%) and splice site point (26.5%) mutations as well as deletions (23%) and insertions (7.5%). The clin. anal. of the 238 mutation carriers revealed a high proportion of both asymptomatic carriers (14/238) and patients unaware of symptoms (45/238), and permitted the redefinition of this frequent form of AD-HSP.  
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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:277076 BIOSIS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200000277076  
 TITLE: Phenotype of SPG4 mutations in autosomal dominant hereditary spastic paraparesis.  
 AUTHOR(S): McMonagle, Paul (1); Byrne, Paula (1); Fitzgerald, Brendan (1); Stewart, Webb (1); Parfrey, Nollaig (1); Hutchinson, Michael (1)  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Dublin Ireland  
 SOURCE: Neurology, (April 11, 2000) Vol. 54, No. 7 Supp. 3, pp.

A424-A425. print  
Meeting Info.: 2nd Annual Meeting of the American Academy  
of Neurology San Diego, CA, USA April 29-May 06, 2000  
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:455439 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200000455439  
TITLE: Detailing cognitive impairment of spastin gene carriers in  
"pure" autosomal dominant HSP.  
AUTHOR(S): McMonagle, P. (1); Edgeworth, J.; Byrne, P.; Hutchinson,  
M.; Burke, T.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) St Vincent's Hospital, Dublin Ireland  
SOURCE: Journal of Neurology Neurosurgery & Psychiatry, (September,  
2000) Vol. 69, No. 3, pp. 420-421. print.  
Meeting Info.: Proceedings of the Association of British  
Neurologists Devon, University of Exeter, England April  
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:488739 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200000488860  
TITLE: Mutation analysis of the spastin gene in hereditary spastic  
paraplegia type 4: Evidence of aberrant transcript splicing  
caused by mutations in noncanonical splice site sequences.  
AUTHOR(S): Svenson, I. K. (1); Ashley-Koch, A. E. (1); Gaskell, P. C.  
(1); Riney, T. J. (1); Warner, C.; Farrell, C. D.;  
Boustany, R.-M. N. (1); Haines, J. L.; Nance, M. A.;  
Pericak-Vance, M. A. (1); Marchuk, D. A. (1)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Duke University Medical Center, Durham, NC USA  
SOURCE: American Journal of Human Genetics, (October, 2000) Vol.  
67, No. 4 Supplement 2, pp. 375. print.  
Meeting Info.: 50th Annual Meeting of the American Society  
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DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200000491279  
TITLE: Five novel mutations of spastin gene in chromosome 2-linked  
autosomal dominant spastic paraplegia (SPG4).  
AUTHOR(S): Deng, H.-X. (1); Zhai, H. (1); Chen, W. (1); Hung, W.-Y.  
(1); Hentati, A. (1); Siddique, T. (1)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Neurology Dept, Northwestern Univ, Chicago, IL USA  
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TITLE: Hereditary spastic paraplegia caused by mutations in the  
SPG4 gene.  
AUTHOR(S): Burger, J. J. (1); Fonknechten, N.; Hoeltzenbein, M.;

Neumann, L. (1); Hazan, J.; Reis, A. (1)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Charite Human Genetics, Humboldt Univ, Berlin Germany  
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:490986 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200000491107  
TITLE: Spastin, a new AAA protein, binds to alpha and beta  
tubulins.  
AUTHOR(S): Azim, A. C. (1); Hentati, A. (1); Haque, M. F. U. (1);  
Hirano, M. (1); Ouachi, K. (1); Siddique, T. (1)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Neurology, Northwestern Medical School, Chicago, IL USA  
SOURCE: American Journal of Human Genetics, (October, 2000) Vol.  
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:218484 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200100218484  
TITLE: Hereditary spastic paraplegias.  
AUTHOR(S): Angelini, C. (1); Pegoraro, E. (1); Molon, A. (1)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Department of Neurology, University of Padova, Padova  
Italy  
SOURCE: European Journal of Neurology, (November, 2000) Vol. 7, No.  
Supplement 3, pp. 172. print.  
Meeting Info.: 5th Congress of the European Federation of  
Neurological Societies Copenhagen, Denmark October 14-18,  
2000  
ISSN: 1351-5101.  
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SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:350945 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200000350945  
TITLE: Clinical and pathologic findings in hereditary spastic  
paraparesis with spastin mutation.  
AUTHOR(S): White, K. D.; Ince, P. G.; Lusher, M.; Lindsey, J.;  
Cookson, M.; Bashir, R.; Shaw, P. J.; Bushby, K. M. D. (1)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Department of Human Genetics, 19/20 Claremont Place,  
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ISSN: 0028-3878.  
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AB Objective: To describe a family with chromosome 2p-linked hereditary  
spastic paraparesis (HSP) associated with dementia and illustrate the  
cerebral pathology associated with this disorder. Background: HSP  
comprises a heterogeneous group of inherited disorders in which the main  
clinical feature is severe, progressive lower limb spasticity. Nongenetic  
classification relies on characteristics such as mode of inheritance, age  
at onset, and the presence or absence of additional neurologic features.  
Several loci have been identified for autosomal dominant pure HSP. The  
most common form, which links to chromosome 2p (SPG4), has recently been  
shown to be due to mutations in spastin, the gene encoding a novel



AAA-containing protein. Results: The authors report four generations of a British family with autosomal dominant HSP in whom haplotype analysis indicates linkage to chromosome 2p. In addition, a missense mutation has been identified in exon 10 of the spastin gene (A1395G). Dementia was documented clinically in one member of the family, two other affected family members were reported to have had late onset memory loss, and a younger affected individual showed evidence of memory disturbance and learning difficulties. Autopsy of the demented patient confirmed changes in the spinal cord typical of HSP and also demonstrated specific cortical pathology. There was neuronal depletion and tau-immunoreactive neurofibrillary tangles in the hippocampus and tau-immunoreactive balloon cells were seen in the limbic and neocortex. The substantia nigra showed Lewy body formation. The pathologic findings are not typical of known tauopathies. Conclusions: The authors confirm that chromosome 2p-linked HSP can be associated with dementia and that this phenotype may be associated with a specific and unusual cortical pathology.

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 TITLE: Spastin, a new AAA protein, is altered in the most frequent form of autosomal dominant spastic paraplegia  
 AUTHOR(S): Hazan, Jamile; Fonknechten, Nuria; Mavel, Delphine; Paternotte, Caroline; Samson, Delphine; Artiguenave, Francois; Davoine, Claire-Sophie; Cruaud, Corinne; Durr, Alexandra; Wincker, Patrick; Brottier, Philippe; Cattolico, Laurence; Barbe, Valerie; Burgunder, Jean-Marc; Prud'homme, Jean-Francois; Brice, Alexis; Fontaine, Bertrand; Heilig, Roland; Weissenbach, Jean  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Genoscope, Evry, Fr.  
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 CODEN: NGENEC; ISSN: 1061-4036  
 PUBLISHER: Nature America  
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AB Autosomal dominant hereditary spastic paraplegia (AD-HSP) is a genetically heterogeneous neurodegenerative disorder characterized by progressive spasticity of the lower limbs. Among the four loci causing AD-HSP identified so far, the SPG4 locus at chromosome 2p21-p22 has been shown to account for 40-50% of all AD-HSP families. Using a positional cloning strategy based on obtaining sequence of the entire SPG4 interval, the authors identified a candidate gene encoding a new member of the AAA protein family, which the authors named spastin. Sequence anal. of this gene in seven SPG4-linked pedigrees revealed several DNA modifications, including missense, nonsense and splice-site mutations. Both SPG4 and its mouse orthologue were shown to be expressed early and ubiquitously in fetal and adult tissues. The sequence homologies and putative subcellular localization of spastin suggest that this ATPase is involved in the assembly or function of nuclear protein complexes.

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